The 10 Axioms of Hell

Welcome to planet Earth. A place where creatures necessarily have to devour each other to persist in their existence, where pleasure and pain condition behavior, and where natural selection ensures only the most vicious creatures thrive. Welcome to Hell on Earth.

Axiom One

Nature manifests as billions of individual creatures, each of which feels it is the center of the universe, exploiting and destroying other creatures in order to survive.

Axiom Two

Every sentient creature is primarily driven by its desire to survive. Almost all other desires derive from this single desire.

Axiom Three

Pleasure and pain dominate the behaviour of all creatures. When survival prospects are enhanced, a creature experiences pleasure, and when they are diminished it experiences pain.

Axiom Four

Pleasure and pain are both absolute and relative. When the body is empowered or diminished a sentient creature will experience pleasure or pain respectively. When other creatures are empowered or diminished a creature will experience a relative diminishing or enhancement of power respectively, resulting in pain or pleasure.

Axiom Five

All suffering derives from the desire to exist.

Axiom Six

Natural selection ensures that only the strongest and most cunning creatures survive. This process ensures that conflict and suffering can only increase.

Axiom Seven

It seems likely that man and possibly a few of the higher mammals are the only creatures that experience pleasure and pain. Other creatures are pleasure or pain, depending on their enhanced or diminished survival prospects.

Axiom Eight

Pleasure and pain are passive states, and man alone can deliberately invoke an active state of reasoning to diminish suffering

Axiom Nine

We are all slaves of Nature. We are required to sustain ourselves, with all that involves. We can do it passively and swing between pleasure and pain, or we can do it actively and attempt as far as possible to use our understanding.

Axiom Ten

Understanding is the only means of reducing suffering, but while we desire to exist s8ffering will be a constant companion.